

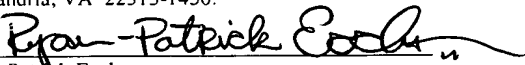
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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))
(Regular application claiming priority of a provisional)

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:
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For: **APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR DETECTING OVERLAY ERRORS USING SCATTEROMETRY**

Assigned to: KLA-Tenor Technologies Corporation

This application claims priority of the following co-pending U.S. Provisional Patent Applications:
Priority of U.S. provisional application No. 60/431,314 filed on December 5, 2002 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).
Priority of U.S. provisional application No. 60/440,970 filed on January 17, 2003 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).
Priority of U.S. provisional application No. 60/504,093 filed on September 19, 2003 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).
Priority of U.S. provisional application No. 60/449,496 filed on February 22, 2003 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).
Priority of U.S. provisional application No. 60/498,524 filed on August 27, 2003 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

Application Elements:

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Claim For Foreign Priority

- ☐ Priority of _____ Application No. _____ filed on _____
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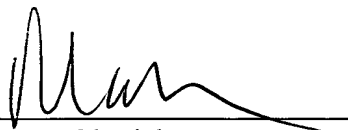
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